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1. ☒ The communication filed 8/11/00 is informal/non-responsive for the reason(s) checked below and should be corrected.
→ **APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER OR UNTIL THE EXPIRATION OF THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE SET IN THE LAST OFFICE ACTION (WHICHEVER IS LONGER) WITHIN WHICH TO CORRECT THE INFORMALITY.**

- a. ☐ The amendment to claim(s) _____, filed _____, fails to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.121 and is accordingly held to be non-responsive. A supplemental paper correcting the informal portions and complying with the rule is required.
- b. ☐ The paper is unsigned. A duplicate paper or ratification, properly signed, is required.
- c. ☐ The paper is signed by _____, who is not of record. A ratification or a new power of attorney with a ratification, or a duplicate paper signed by a person of record, is required.
- d. ☐ The communication is presented on paper which will not provide a permanent copy. A permanent copy, or a request that a permanent copy be made by the Office at applicant's expense, is required, see M.P.E.P. 714.07.
- e. ☒ Other NOTE ATTACHED LETTER,

2. ☐ In accordance with applicant's request, THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE FROM THE OFFICE ACTION DATED _____ IS EXTENDED TO RUN _____ MONTH(S).
No further extension will be granted unless approved by the Commissioner. 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (b)
3. ☐ Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119 which papers have been made of record in the file.
4. ☐ Other

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From the letter dated 8/02/00, it appears that applicant intends to secure the services of a registered patent attorney or agent, as suggested in the office action dated 6/09/00.

Upon the review of the response to the office action, it is still advisable that applicant secure the services of a registered patent attorney or agent, since the substitute specification is not understood, and the new claim submitted is vague and indefinite. It is not clear whether applicant intended to cancel the originally filed claim 1. If so, applicant must explicitly cancel claim 1.

If applicant does not provide more clear claim(s), in response to this office action, than the claim submitted on 8/11/00, now renumbered as claim 2, will be finally rejected.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner A. Grosz at telephone number (703) 308-2498.

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